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Listing of Claims:

Please cancel claims 1-48 and add new claims 49-88 as follows:

1-48. (Canceled)

49. (New) A method of treating a cancerous disease comprising administering to a patient with said disease an effective amount of $20(S)-1\alpha,25$ -dihydroxy-2-methylene-26,27-dihomo-19-norvitamin D_3 having the structure

- 50. (New) The method of claim 49 where the disease is leukemia.
- 51. (New) The method of claim 49 where the disease is colon cancer.
- 52. (New) The method of claim 49 where the disease is breast cancer.
- 53. (New) The method of claim 49 where the disease is prostate cancer.
- 54. (New) The method of claim 49 wherein the compound is administered orally.
- 55. (New) The method of claim 49 wherein the compound is administered parenterally.
- 56. (New) The method of claim 49 wherein the compound is administered transdermally.

- 57. (New) The method of claim 49 wherein said effective amount comprises about $0.01\mu g/day$ to about $100\mu g/day$ of $20(S)-1\alpha,25$ -dihydroxy-2-methylene-26,27-dihomo-19-norvitamin D₃.
- 58. (New) The method of claim 49 wherein said effective amount comprises about $0.1\mu g/day$ to about $50\mu g/day$ of $20(S)-1\alpha,25$ -dihydroxy-2-methylene-26,27-dihomo-19-norvitamin D₃.
- 59. (New) A method of treating a cancerous disease comprising administering to a patient with said disease an effective amount of 20(S)-26,27-dimethylene-25-methoxy-2-methylene-19-norvitamin D_3 having the structure

- 60. (New) The method of claim 59 where the disease is leukemia.
- 61. (New) The method of claim 59 where the disease is colon cancer.
- 62. (New) The method of claim 59 where the disease is breast cancer.
- 63. (New) The method of claim 59 where the disease is prostate cancer.
- 64. (New) The method of claim 59 wherein the compound is administered orally.
- 65. (New) The method of claim 59 wherein the compound is administered parenterally.

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66. (New) The method of claim 59 wherein the compound is administered transdermally.

- 67. (New) The method of claim 59 wherein said effective amount comprises about $0.01\mu g/day$ to about $100\mu g/day$ of 20(S)-26,27-dimethylene-25-methoxy-2-methylene-19-norvitamin D₃.
- 68. (New) The method of claim 59 wherein said effective amount comprises about $0.1\mu g/day$ to about $50\mu g/day$ of 20(S)-26,27-dimethylene-25-methoxy-2-methylene-19-norvitamin D_3 .
- 69. (New) A method of treating a cancerous disease comprising administering to a patient with said disease an effective amount of $20(S)-1\alpha,25$ -dihydroxy-26,27-dimethylene-2-methylene-19-norvitamin D₃ having the structure

- 70. (New) The method of claim 69 where the disease is leukemia.
- 71. (New) The method of claim 69 where the disease is colon cancer.
- 72. (New) The method of claim 69 where the disease is breast cancer.
- 73. (New) The method of claim 69 where the disease is prostate cancer.
- 74. (New) The method of claim 69 wherein the compound is administered orally.

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75. (New) The method of claim 69 wherein the compound is administered parenterally.

- 76. (New) The method of claim 69 wherein the compound is administered transdermally.
- 77. (New) The method of claim 69 wherein said effective amount comprises about $0.01\mu g/day$ to about $100\mu g/day$ of $20(S)-1\alpha,25$ -dihydroxy-26,27-dimethylene-2-methylene-19-norvitamin D₃.
- 78. (New) The method of claim 69 wherein said effective amount comprises about $0.1\mu g/day$ to about $50\mu g/day$ of $20(S)-1\alpha,25$ -dihydroxy-26,27-dimethylene-2-methylene-19-norvitamin D₃.
- 79. (New) A method of treating a cancerous disease comprising administering to a patient with said disease an effective amount of 20(S)-26,27-dimethylene- 1α -hydroxy-2-methylene-24-dehydro-19-norvitamin D₃ having the structure

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- 80. (New) The method of claim 79 where the disease is leukemia.
- 81. (New) The method of claim 79 where the disease is colon cancer.
- 82. (New) The method of claim 79 where the disease is breast cancer.
- 83. (New) The method of claim 79 where the disease is prostate cancer.
- 84. (New) The method of claim 79 wherein the compound is administered orally.
- 85. (New) The method of claim 79 wherein the compound is administered parenterally.
- 86. (New) The method of claim 79 wherein the compound is administered transdermally.
- 87. (New) The method of claim 79 wherein said effective amount comprises about $0.01\mu g/day$ to about $100\mu g/day$ of 20(S)-26,27-dimethylene- 1α -hydroxy-2-methylene-24-dehydro-19-norvitamin D₃.
- 88. (New) The method of claim 79 wherein said effective amount comprises about $0.1\mu g/day$ to about $50\mu g/day$ of 20(S)-26,27-dimethyl- 1α -hydroxy-2-methylene-24-dehydro-19-norvitamin D_3 .